THE WHITE HOUSE,

Washington, DC, December 2, 1997.

Hon. Newt Gingrich,

Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: In accordance with the Line Item Veto Act, I hereby cancel the dollar amount of discretionary budget authority, as specified in the attached report, contained in the "Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998" (H.R. 2267). I have determined that the cancellation of this amount will reduce the Federal budget deficit, will not impair any essential Government functions, and will not harm the national interest. This letter, together with its attachment, constitutes a special message under section 1022 of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

Pursuant to section 1025(a) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on the Budget and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105–181).

¶1.21 COMMUNICATION FROM THE MINORITY LEADER—APPOINTMENT— U.S. LONG-RANGE AIR POWER PANEL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. Lahood, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, January 16, 1998. Hon. Newt Gingrich,

Speaker of the House, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to Section 8131, Public Law 105-56, I hereby appoint the following individual to the independent panel to evaluate the adequacy of current planning for United States long-range air power: Mr. Walter E. Morrow, Jr., Massachusetts.

Yours very truly,

RICHARD A. GEPHARDT.

¶1.22 SUBPOENA RESPONSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. Lahood, laid before the House the following communication from Mr. William H. Grady, Adminstrative Assistant to Mr. Brown of California:

House of Representatives, *Washington, DC, November 14, 1997.* Hon. Newt Gingrich,

Speaker of the House, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you pursuant to Rule L (50) of the Rules of the House that I have been served with a subpoena issued by the Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

After consultation with the General Counsel, I have determined that compliance is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM H. GRADY, Administrative Assistant to Congressman George E. Brown, Jr.

¶1.23 SUBPOENA RESPONSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, laid before the House the following communication from the Sergeant at Arms:

House of Representatives, *Washington, DC, November 14, 1997.* Hon. Newt Gingrich,

Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

Dear Mr. Speaker: This is to formally notify you pursuant to Rule L (50) of the Rules of the House that I have been served with a subpoena issued by the United States Dis-

trict Court for District of Columbia.

After consultation with the General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena relates to my official duties, and that partial compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and precedents of the House.

Sincerely,

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BILL LIVINGOOD, Sergeant at Arms.

¶1.24 SUBPOENA RESPONSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. Lahood, laid before the House the following communication from Mr. Beau Gex, District Director for Mr. Taylor of Mississippi:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, December 10, 1997. Hon, Newt Gingrich.

Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington,

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you pursuant to Rule L (50) of the House that I have been served with a subpoena duces tecum issued by the Chancery Court of Forrest County, Mississippi, in the case of Michelle Anderson v. Kade Paul Anderson, Case No. 94-0711-GN-D.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that the subpoena relates to my official duties, and that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and precedents of the House.

Sincerely yours,

BEAU GEX, District Director for the Honorable Gene Taylor.

¶1.25 SUBPOENA RESPONSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. Lahood, laid before the House the following communication from Mr. Evans:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, January 6, 1998. Hon. Newt Gingrich,

Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington. DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you, pursuant to Rule L (50) of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that my office was served with a subpoena (for documents) issued by the McLean County, Illinois Circuit Court in the case of Lack v. Crain, No. 97 L 155, and directed to the "Keeper of Employment Records".

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

LANE EVANS, Member of Congress.

¶1.26 SUBPOENA RESPONSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, laid before the House the following communication from Ms. Lisbeth M. McBride, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer:

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, January 13, 1998. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you, pursuant to Rule L (50) of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a subpoena duces tecum issued by the Superior Court for the District of Columbia in the case of *Williams v. Psychiatric Institute of Washington*.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is not consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House and, therefore, that the subpoena should be resisted.

Sincerely,

LISBETH M. MCBRIDE.

¶1.27 RECESS—4:12 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess at 4 o'clock and 12 minutes p.m., until approximately 8:40 p.m.

¶1.28 AFTER RECESS—8:47 P.M.

The SPEAKER called the House to order.

¶1.29 JOINT SESSION TO RECEIVE A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Assistant to the Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Vice President and Members of the Senate, who entered the Hall of the House and took seats assigned them, the Vice President taking the Chair to the right of the Speaker.

Whereupon, pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 194, the SPEAKER called the joint session of the two Houses to order.

The SPEAKER announced the appointment of Messrs. Armey, Delay, Boehner, Cox, Dickey, Hutchinson, Gephardt, Bonior, Fazio, Mrs. Kennelly and Messrs. Berry and Snyder as members of the Committee on the part of the House to escort the President into the Hall of the House.

The Vice President announced the appointment of Messrs. Lott, Nickles, Mack, Thurmond, Daschle, Ford, Ms. Mikulksi, Messrs. Breaux, Kerry, Kerrey, Torricelli, Reid, Rockefeller, Dorgan, and Leahy as members of the committee on the part of the Senate to escort the President into the Hall of the House.

The Assistant to the Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Acting Dean of the Diplomatic Corps, ambassadors, ministers, and charges d'affaires of foreign governments, who entered the Hall of the House and took seats assigned them.

The Assistant to the Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Chief Justice of the United States and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, who entered the Hall of the House and took seats assigned to them.

The Assistant to the Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Members of the President's Cabinet, who entered the Hall of the House and took seats assigned to them.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the President of the United States at 9